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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision dated June 20, 2000, Paper No. 19, of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 37, 38 and 55-68.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- [X] A Petition for Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$445.00 for three (3) month(s) up to and including December 20, 2000, to respond to the final rejection are enclosed.
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 - [X] \$155.00-- a Small Entity Declaration has been filed previously in this case.
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- [] An oral hearing before the Board of Appeals is respectfully requested.
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